

## CZAR'S BOATS MENACE PORT

**Make Night Sally Into Turkish Harbor at Sinopo and Destroy Steamer and Three Sailing Vessels.**

**Turkish Cruiser is Damaged Beyond Repair By Torpedo—Aerial Craft Sails Over Paris and Report Says City Will Be Bomarded by Them Later—Honors of War Equally Divided in East, With Success for Both Russia and Germany—Turks Hard Pressed—French Report Gains in the West, While Germans Say There is Little Change—Snow and Cold Hinder Operations of Combatants.**

**A Reckless Deed.**  
Sebastopol, Jan. 19.—A flotilla of Russian torpedo boats dashed into the Turkish harbor at Sinopo on the north coast of Asia Minor under the guns of the Ottoman forts at night, and sank the steamer Meorges and three sailing ships which the Turks were preparing to use for transports.

**Zeppelins to Bombard Paris.**  
Copenhagen, Jan. 19.—A private dispatch from Berlin reports that a Zeppelin sailed over Paris yesterday and an aerial bombardment of Paris will soon begin.

**Turkish Cruiser Strikes Torpedo.**  
Constantinople, Jan. 19.—An unconfirmed report states that the cruiser Sultan Selim, formerly the German ship Goeben, was struck by a torpedo in the Bosphorus. It was so badly damaged the report says that it can't be repaired.

**Germans Take Two Towns.**  
Berlin, Jan. 19.—A news report states that Kielce and Opoczno, important towns in Russian Poland, have been captured by the Germans. The Russians have retreated to Radom. The Germans are advancing towards Warszyko, a railroad junction.

**Russians Gain and Lose.**  
Petrograd, Jan. 19.—The bloodiest fighting yet seen in Poland has been raging in the vicinity of Mlawa for the last four days. The town has been practically destroyed. It changed hands three times Sunday and is now held by Russians. The Germans were thrown back toward the border. The Russians were forced to withdraw from Kielce before the heavily reinforced Germans. The Russians are advancing toward Thorn and Soldau, and may compel the Germans to abandon their drive toward Ivargord. At the south the Turks are hard pressed by the Russians.

**Hungary Would Make Peace.**  
London, Jan. 19.—A news dispatch to Venice states the Giornale D'Italia fully confirms the report that Hungary is attempting to make peace apart from Austria.

**French Claim Successes.**  
Paris, Jan. 19.—The official statement this afternoon says that the French have recaptured their former positions at Laboisselle, northeast of Amiens, following severe hand to hand fighting Sunday and Monday. A blizzard with heavy snow is impeding operations in Belgium and the region of Arras. The heavy French artillery has silenced a number of German batteries in the vicinity of Arras. Northwest of Pont a Mousson the French are assailing the Germans. In an attempt to cross the Meuse they captured the new German field works in the Lapet forest. They now are holding five hundred yards of German trenches. A heavy snow storm is raging in the Vosges.

**Triple Repulse of Russians Reported.**  
Berlin, Jan. 19.—A triple repulse of the Russian forces in northern Poland has been officially reported. The weather continues unfavorable. Fighting at the west shows no important change.

**Zeppelins Raid England.**  
London, Jan. 20.—Three were killed, a number wounded and six towns and villages damaged by the first German Zeppelin raid over England. Bombs were thrown on the towns of Yarmouth, Sheringham and Grimsby. It is reported that six Zeppelins participated in the raid. There is an unconfirmed report that one Zeppelin was shot down off Hunstanton. Bomb was dropped near the ammunition stores near Grimsby but it failed to hit the mark. Two bombs were dropped on the king's Lynn estate, but neither fell near the palace. An

Armstrong dispatch this morning states that airships, supposed to be German were seen over Kollum, Vliet and Terschelling islands early this morning, traveling swiftly eastward.

**Zeppelin Damage.**  
Yarmouth, England, January 20.—Two were killed here and several wounded; while a row of houses on St. Peter's plain was damaged. Damage was also done at Norfolk square, South Quay and York Road Drill Hall. Sandringham—Bombs were dropped within a mile of the Royal summer palace and in the town. In the town the damage was heavy.

**King's Lynn—Two houses were demolished and another damaged.** A boy was killed and a woman and baby injured.  
**Cromer—Several houses were wrecked here.**  
**Sheringham—Several houses damaged here.**

**British Attack Defeated.**  
Constantinople, Jan. 20 (Official)—The Turks have defeated a British attack on forts Shatel and Arab, Arabia.

**Franz Joseph May Quit.**  
Rome, Jan. 20.—It is persistently rumored here that Francis Joseph, Emperor of Austria has decided to abdicate.

**French Barely Escape Disaster.**  
Paris, Jan. 20.—It was learned today for the first time that the situation on the Aisne was regarded as so critical as the result of the German assaults last week that Gen. Joffre hastened there to direct the operations of the French personally. The military authorities are now confident that the Germans have shot their bolt north of Soissons and the allies are taking the offensive to retake the lost ground. The French southwest of Metz are strongly entrenched and have repulsed all German counter attacks.

**Russians Moving Forward.**  
Petrograd, Jan. 20.—Another daring drive has carried the Russian cavalry to the very border of east Prussia, 19 miles from Thorn, the great German military base. Sharp fighting is in progress at Dobryn. The Germans are fighting desperately south of the Vistula river. The Russians have silenced the German batteries and crossed the Bzura river.

**French Win Artillery Battle.**  
Paris, Jan. 20 (Official)—The French scored signal successes over the German artillery in a violent struggle in Lagrurie forests, where the Germans were driven from their trenches.

**Germans Capture Trenches.**  
Berlin, Jan. 20 (Official)—The Germans captured two hundred yards of French trenches northwest of Arras and five hundred yards of trenches in the Argonne. The Germans have made good progress in the forest north of Sennheim in Alsace. At the east the situation is unchanged.

**SNOWS FOR PIEDMONT.**  
Steady Fall of White Flakes in Greenville.

**Greenville, Jan. 19.**—Snow began falling here at midnight. The flakes came thick and fast and as the weather is cold and the clouds heavy it is possible that Greenville will awaken in the morning to see for the second time this winter the ground covered with snow.

**Snow Covers Central States.**  
Indianapolis, Jan. 19.—From a half to a foot of snow covers the central States today. Traffic has been seriously impeded.

## PRESIDENT LOOTED CAPITAL.

**GUTIERREZ TOOK TEN MILLION PESOS FROM TREASURY SAYS VILLA.**

Gives out Information Which He Says Led to Disorder in Mexico City—Claims He Will Support Convention's Action.

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 19.—Gen. Villa under date of today sent to the Associated Press from Aguas Calientes the following statement:  
"On the 16th instant I was surprised to learn that Gen. Eulalio Gutierrez, Provisional President of Mexico, in company with Gens. J. Isabel Robles, Lucio Blanco and Mateo Almazan had fled from the capital, taking with them ten million pesos from the national treasury and looting everything and leaving abandoned all interests, lives and honor of society entrusted to their care."

"Later telegrams informed me about the panic existing among inhabitants of Mexico City when they learned of the attitude of the first magistrate and his companions. I was further surprised on learning that some forces, belonging to the fugitives, intended abandoning the capital in disorder."  
"Fortunately the forces under my command in the city at once took up the task of re-establishing order. Therefore I have the honor to notify the Republic and the world that not a single act was committed against life and interests of the inhabitants of Mexico City."

"From another locality I learned that President Gutierrez had addressed the Military Convention in an attempt to ignore it, and turning against it, defrauding the hopes of the country which had been left with him, had turned traitor to the public aspirations and those of the revolution."

"It at once called a meeting of all generals accompanying me. They, like me, resolved to support the convention. My opinion was upheld by all of the northern division, by the liberating army under Gen. Zapata and by the several well known revolutionary chieftains. I can state that the major part of the forces remain loyal to the convention and are ready to aid in the pacification of Mexico and the re-establishment of constitutional order."

"I believe it opportune to let the Mexican people know that now as ever I am ready to fight for their interests and honor. Again I renounce all public office, as my only aim is the happiness of the country and its people."

The Mexican situation was described as favorable to a peaceful solution in a bulletin given out today by Ernesto Fernandez, Villa consul here. The statement said Gen. Villa would not go to the capital until the election by the convention of the pre-constitutional president.

## BRINK OF STARVATION.

**President Wilson Urged to Use Influence to Stop Exportation of Food Products.**

Chicago, Jan. 20.—President Russell of the United Master Butchers' of America today sent President Wilson a warm appeal urging an embargo on the exportation of wheat, meats and food products. He declared that if exports are unchecked the United States will soon be on the brink of starvation.

## WRECK ON SEABOARD.

**Engineer and Fireman Killed Last Night at Sanford, N. C.**

Columbia, Jan. 20.—Engineer Stone and his fireman were killed last night when Seaboard train number 3, the New York-Florida Express, was wrecked at O'Good, six miles north of Sanford, N. C. The wreck occurred about 9 o'clock, the train being due in Columbia at 15 minutes past midnight. It is said that only the engine left the track, the coaches remaining upright. The cause of the wreck at this time is unknown.

## UNFAVORABLE REPORT.

**House Committee Against Warren Anti-Warehouse Measure.**

Columbia, Jan. 20.—John L. McLaurin, State warehouse commissioner, was notified last night that the house committee on agriculture had agreed unanimously to an unfavorable report on the bill introduced by Mr. Warren of Hampton to abolish the State warehouse system. Mr. McLaurin said that he did not appear before the committee, though the author of the measure did. He was gratified at the decision.

## FILIBUSTER ON SHIP BILL.

**OHIO SENATOR IS TALKING AGAINST TIME.**

Wilson Still Hopes—Despite Minority's Obstruction President Looks for Success in Pressing Bill to Passage.

Washington, Jan. 19.—Republican opposition to the government ship purchase bill took on all evidences of a filibuster today. Senator Burton, who talked the rivers and harbors bill to death at the last session, led the attack. No progress was made on the bill except that another day of Senator Burton's speech went into the record.

Notwithstanding the determined minority opposition, however, President Wilson today expressed confidence over the outcome. He said he thought it "very probable" the bill would be passed before March 4.

A third caucus of senate Democrats on the bill which had been called for tonight was postponed until tomorrow night because the commerce committee had not completed consideration of amendments. Most important of these is one changing in form the proposed shipping board so it would be composed of three cabinet members and four civilian experts on transportation and shipbuilding. Another would fix some definite method of incorporation of the proposed shipping corporation.

The inadvisability of developing any extensive trade with South America was the theme of Senator Burton's speech today. He declared South America had no long docks such as would be necessary for big ships and discussed the "fallacy" of placing a boat like the interned Rotterdam, which carried 5,000 persons, on such a route, when the last ship which sailed from Rio Janeiro to New York carried only 26 passengers. He commented at length on the financial depression in South America and commercial development of Latin American countries.

Democratic senators, except two or three who remained on guard, left the chamber as soon as the Ohio senator began talking. Only one Democratic senator converted the procedure into a debate. Senator Pomerene resented the suggestion that private ship owners deserved consideration at this time, "when for 50 years they failed to build up a merchant marine." Senator Burton replied that when the first opportunity arose for American capital to enter the shipping trade in 100 years the government cast a pall over it by announcing it was going into the business itself.

Senator Pomerene quoted the interstate commerce commission in support of his position.

Senator Hoke Smith made the point of order that another senator having made a speech Senator Burton had lost the floor. Senator Martine, who was presiding, overruled the point.

## THE SHIPPING SITUATION.

**Redfield Says Public Opinion, If Enlightened, Would Demand Drastic Redress.**

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 20.—"If the facts were fully known public opinion would insist on drastic action which would prevent recurrence of the arbitrary series of holdups and exactions of which our forcing commerce is too much the unwilling victim," declared William C. Redfield, secretary of commerce, in an address tonight before the Louisville Transportation club.

"It is shocking at this time when the door of opportunity opens so widely before us," Mr. Redfield said, "to have our ocean shipping facilities, on which the free movement of our foreign commerce depends, so fully in the hands of aliens who do not hesitate to exact their pound of flesh."

The cynical disregard that foreign steamship companies show for their contracts and for the interests of American commerce at large is such as to make the attitude of a robber baron look respectable. Wonderful as is the growth of our foreign commerce in these recent months it is but a small part of that which it would be if our commerce were not being throttled at its source by the exactions of foreign-owned steamship companies.

"If specifications are called for they will be found in the correspondence which before leaving Washington I found in the hands of the secretary of the treasury to be transmitted by him in his name and my own to the senate as our response to the resolution of that body calling on us for information respecting the advance in ocean freight rates."

## WAR SITUATION UNCHANGED

**French Have Gained Advantage in Artillery Duel, Destroying German Ammunition Depot and Regaining Trenches.**

**Report States Kaiser is Ill Again—England Aroused by Raid of Airships—Petrograd Dispatches State That Austrians Have Been Driven Back at Bukovina—Germans on Defensive on Vistula—Austrians Claim Success in Galicia.**

**Austrians Driven Back.**  
Petrograd, Jan. 21.—Austrians sent to Bukovina to resist the Russian invasion of Hungary are now retreating toward Jacobini, fighting fiercely. There has been no decisive results. Terrific cold and heavy snowstorms prevail there. Along the Bzura the Germans are making furious night attacks, but have been repulsed.

**Germans Lost Trenches.**  
Berlin, Jan. 21 (Wireless)—It is officially admitted that the Germans have lost three trenches to the French at Notre Dame De Lorette. They repulsed the French northeast of Arras. The Germans captured two trenches southwest of Berry au Bac.

**Will Seize the Dacia.**  
Havana, Jan. 21.—Two British cruisers are lying off the Cuban coast and it is reported they have been ordered to seize the American steamer Dacia if she sails from Galveston for Germany with a cargo of cotton.

**Kaiser Ill Again.**  
Amsterdam, Jan. 21.—A private dispatch from Brussels today states that the Kaiser's physician has ordered him to return to Berlin for another operation on the throat. The Kaiser refused, declaring he will not return to Berlin until his troops score an overwhelming victory.

**German Batteries Silenced.**  
Amsterdam, Jan. 21.—A news dispatch states that the British warships have silenced the heavy long range German guns along the North sea coast, northeast of Nieuport. The Belgians, cooperating with the British have compelled the Germans to evacuate their coast positions.

## Raid Stirs England.

London, Jan. 21.—Although the newspapers are minimizing the importance of the Zeppelin raids over the Norfolk coast, in which four persons were killed, and thirty-one wounded, extremely drastic measures are being taken to safeguard London and other districts against air attacks. Practically all lights are extinguished at night, and London is as dark as a provincial village. The newspapers violently attack the Germans, calling them "baby killers" and "apaches of war."

## French Attack Repulsed.

Berlin, Jan. 21.—The Germans have repulsed the French attack south of St. Mihiels, where the Germans recaptured the position they evacuated Monday. Battles are raging in the Vosges and northwest of Sennheim. At the east the situation in East Prussia is unchanged.

An important engagement east of Ligny has resulted favorably to the Germans.

## French Fighting Hard.

Paris, Jan. 21.—After a fierce and hand to hand struggle the French have occupied Laboisselle, near Peronne, but are now being shelled by the Germans. There is severe fighting in the region of Albert where the Germans advanced through our wire entanglements. After a lull caused by the flood, hard fighting has been resumed in Flanders. The French are pressing hard against the German lines near Metz, in the forest of La Pretrere and in Consenvoye forest. The Germans blew up some French field works near Verdun.

## Germans on Defensive.

Copenhagen, Jan. 21.—A private dispatch from Berlin states that the Russians are throwing heavy reinforcements along the Vistula River in Poland. The Germans are now on the defensive.

## Destroy German Ammunition.

Paris, Jan. 21 (Official)—The French artillery destroyed a German ammunition depot near Rheims, after aviators had established the range. It is believed that many Germans were killed. The French have advanced, occupying some German trenches.

Hard fighting continues in the Woivre district. The Germans are attacking furiously near Bertrix, Jour and Pontamousson.

**Austrian Successes.**  
Vienna, Jan. 21.—A Russian bridge across the Tisza river, Galicia, has been destroyed by the Austrians. Other serious Austrian successes in Poland are reported.

## OPEN FILIBUSTER CONTINUES.

**Democrats are Determined to Keep Ship Purchase Bill Before the Senate.**

Washington, Jan. 20.—After a three days' speech against the government ship purchase bill, Senator Burton yielded the floor late today to Senator Weeks, who continued what Democratic leaders regarded as an open filibuster. Determined to keep the measure constantly before the senate, even if it delays appropriation measures, the Democrats tonight renewed their caucus to frame amendments.

Administration leaders declared the Republican opposition would be given full sway in the hope that it would wear itself out. No Democrat, they said, would speak on the bill for many days. After Senator Weeks has finished his speech, Senators Lodge, Jones, Root, Sutherland, Smoot, Brandegee, Gallinger and Nelson are expected to continue the fight. Plans were made at a Republican conference today, which provided that when speeches on the present bill have been exhausted, a substitute will be offered on which to base further debate.

Some Republican leaders predicted the Democrats would give up hope of passing the bill at this session if no progress is made after two weeks of debate. Administration leaders, however, declared the measure would be kept before the senate until March 4, if necessary, and the appropriation bills taken up at an extra session.

Senator Burton talked continuously today for more than six hours. His address continued over the lunch hour, but he drank two raw eggs while he listened to a question by Senator Sutherland.

## CAUCUS ON ORGANIZATION.

**House Democrats to Reform Ranks With Kitchin as Leader.**

Washington, Jan. 20.—House Democrats who will be members of the next congress will organize the house at a caucus February 4.

Champ Clark will be reelected speaker; Claude Kitchin of North Carolina will be presented for Democratic floor leader without apparent opposition; Robert B. Gordon of Ohio, former representative in congress, will be chosen sergeant-at-arms; South Trimble of Kentucky, clerk of the house, and James J. Sinnott of the District of Columbia, doorkeeper of the house, without opposition, it appeared today.

The big fight will be over the selection of members of the ways and means committee. Half a dozen members of the committee will not be members of the next house. The South has a number of candidates, including Oldfield of Arkansas, Park of Georgia, Crisp of Georgia and Barkley of Kentucky.

## RURAL CREDITS LEGISLATION.

**Democratic Programme Will be Put Through Congress by Midsummer.**

Washington, Jan. 21.—Republicans as well as Democratic senators today predicted that rural credits legislation will be enacted by midsummer. It is practically conceded that there will be an extra session after March 4th. The leaders in the house and senate are preparing for it.

## Kills Wife at Columbus.

Columbus, Ga., Jan. 21.—Heyward Lester, shot and killed his wife this morning. He charged her with infidelity. He was arrested.